

Technical Assistance to Brownfields communities (TAB)

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- A national program
- Funded by EPA headquarters via grants to 5 different Hazardous Substances Research Centers (HSRC)
- Free to communities
- K-State is affiliated with the Midwest HSRC and assists communities in Nebraska, Kansas, Iowa, and Missouri

TAB Assistance to Communities

- Tailored to specific needs
- Typically coordinated through the city, tribal or non-profit brownfields project manager
- May include:
 - Review of EPA grant applications
 - Help finding a consulting firm
 - Review of project plans, technical reports
 - Assistance with community outreach
 - Other assistance, as needed and agreed upon
- Communities accepted on a 'first come' basis.
 - Depends on staff/funding availability

The Application Process

- Contact us
- We'll set up a meeting to discuss assistance needs
- Review needs and TAB capability
- Agree on a course of action
- Get started

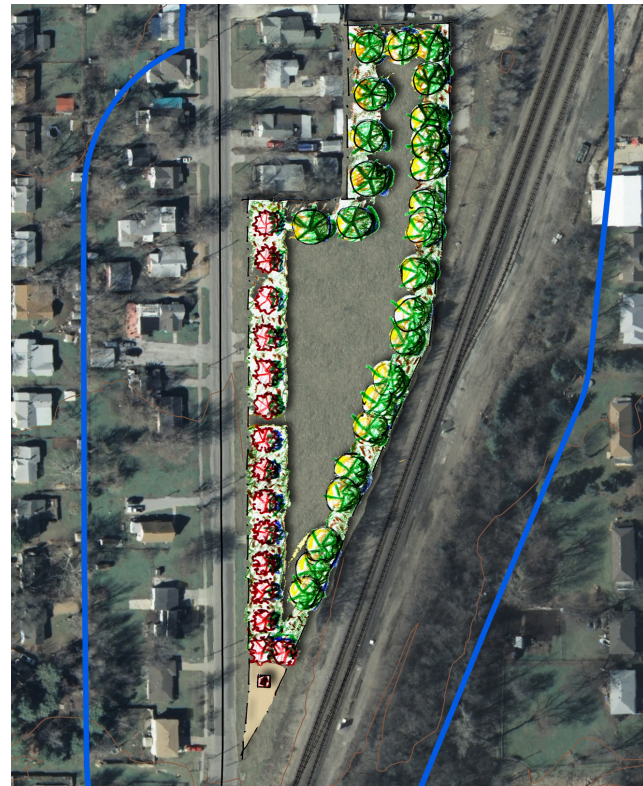
Community Outreach

- Redevelopment planning



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- Help communities reach consensus on re-use of property
- This drawing is the visual interpretation of input from residents living near the site, city staff, and other interested stakeholders



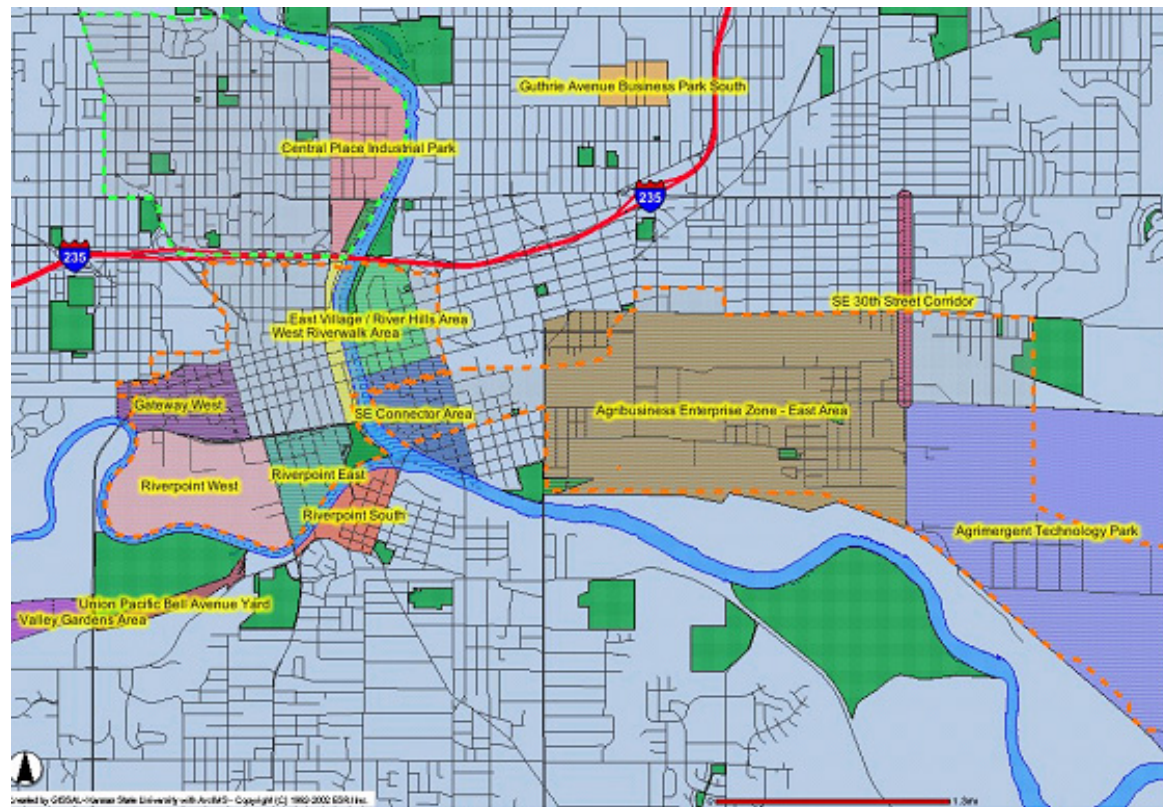
Environmental Education

- Workshops, and community meetings



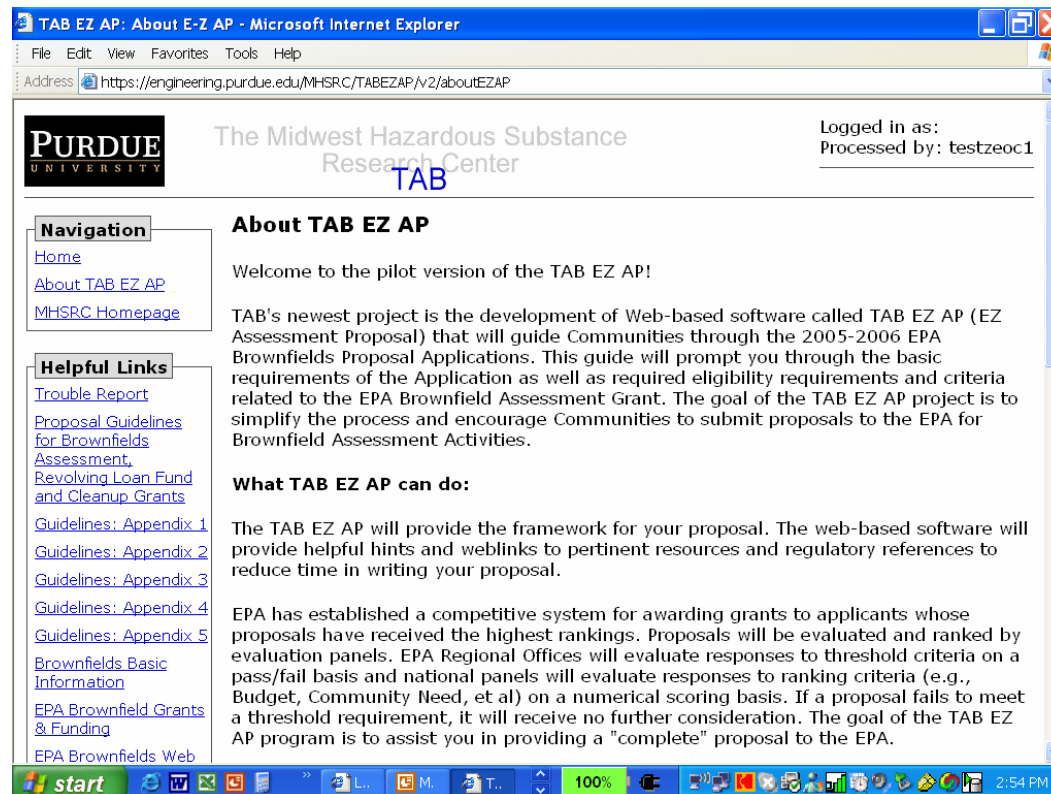
Special Projects

- Des Moines, IA GIS-based redevelopment properties web site



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- Web-based software called TAB EZ AP



TAB Contacts

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TAB Internet Resources

- <http://www.toscprogram.org/tab-overview.html>
- <http://www.engg.ksu.edu/CHSR/outreach/tab/>
- <http://www.jhu.edu/hsrc/outreach.htm>
- <http://www.hsrc-ssw.org/tab-overview.html>
- <http://www.engr.colostate.edu/hsrc/tech/tab.html>
- <http://tosc.oregonstate.edu/TAB/>
- <http://www.envirotools.org/>

Future of TAB...



- The time period for current grants to universities ends in September 2007.
- Some universities will apply for and expect to receive no-cost extensions to keep offering services until they use all their grant funds
- EPA is working on next steps to provide TAB services to communities